



Welcome To Catshill Methodist Church Centre

**Worship God
Welcome Everyone
Serve the Community**

Newsletter : November 7th – 21st 2024

OUR CHURCH NEWS & EVENTS

WORSHIP (10.30 am unless stated otherwise)

**Sunday 10th November - Remembrance
Sunday - NO MORNING SERVICE - join in
with the village Memorial Service.**

- 4 p.m. Afternoon Peace Service

**Sunday 17th November - Café style
church led by Dave Morgan and the
Mission Praise band**

Worship plans also available here:

<https://www.catshillmethodists.org.uk/worship>

Christmas experience meeting

The above will be on **Sunday 17th Nov** at 3pm.

Eco Church meeting

The above will be on **Tues 19th Nov** at 9.30am

Church blue chairs

We have too many blue chairs! There are about 40 stored upstairs that haven't been used for years and we need the room for storage, so we're offering a few of the chairs to anyone who wants them for a small donation to church funds. If interested please speak to Dave or Ian.

"A thank you" from Rosemary Mason

I would like to thank everyone for their prayers and help through our recent difficult times. I have always loved and appreciated the support our Church family gives and will really miss it. After a difficult move, 3 weeks ago, things are beginning to settle down here in Chesterfield. Some of the rooms are now box free and beginning to look like home. I am sure I will be back to visit you and if ever you are in the area you would be welcome. Thank you again, Rosemary.

Rendezvous

The next meeting is **November 14th** when Nigel Metcalfe will speak on "Early History of Electricity in the Home". All welcome at 10 am for coffee.

Coach Trips

The planned coach trips for 2024 are:
9th Nov: Cheltenham £20 – leaves 9.30 am
Names to Tricia or committee member).

Wednesday Aaradhana Group

The Aaradhana group will meet at 7:30pm on **November 20th & January 15th**. All welcome to join this group for Christian fellowship, conversation, Bible study and more.

BaC-Up (Bereaved and Carer's Group)

Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday Nov 26th** at 2.30 pm. The subject will be "Christmas memories"! The group meets on the last Tuesday of the month. All carers, present and past, and those bereaved at any time, welcome. Join us for chat, coffee/tea & cake!

Prayer Group

Prayer group meets fortnightly at 10am for about 45 minutes. All are welcome to this important part of our church life. Any prayer requests will be very welcome. Next meeting **Tuesday November 12th**.

Busy Bees

This is an informal group sharing ideas & encouragement on a wide range of craft projects. All are welcome. Next meeting will be at 10.30-12.30 on **November 21st** in the church and then fortnightly.

Safeguarding Training Courses

Foundation course at our church on **Sat. 16th Nov. 1-4pm**. For this and advanced courses (see list attached – email copies only) please speak to Jackie Hooper.

Prayer Vigil

There will be a prayer vigil on **Friday 22nd November** from 2 pm – 6 pm. Come for any length of time. Perhaps read a Bible passage then pray and/or meditate on it.

Coffee Shop soup and toast is back!

Coffee Shop soup and toast is back on Friday lunchtimes, from 12.00 (midday) until 1.30pm. All welcome to join us.

The Christmas Experience (1st - 4th Dec)

Thank you for your offers of blankets, props etc. I will be in church to receive them on Sunday mornings 17th and 24th November. Alternatively you could give them to Pete at Coffee Shop. I haven't yet managed to obtain a small, richly coloured rug if anyone has anything suitable please. Sue 01527 877120

ECO church information & top tips

Did you know that in the UK we throw away 1.4 million untouched bananas every day? So instead:

Just ripe bananas make lovely smoothies..

Very ripe banana can be used in pancakes and muffins...

Over ripe bananas can be used for banana bread.

You can also freeze ripe banana, or even better dip them in chocolate then freeze them for a tasty dessert another day. 🍌

Looking for a low cost Christmas gift?

Why not give a copy of Dave 2nd book called "*Hopeless Henry's Little Problem (and 99 other what I still call poems)*"? Only £5 and all profits to the Basement.

Dates for your diary

There will be a Kurling evening on **Saturday, 11th January 2025.**

Coffee shop planned events

Children in Need - Friday 15th November

We're again having a '**bring & buy**' table and would welcome good quality items.

Donations of cakes would also be very much appreciated, but don't forget to fill in an ingredient list!!

Performance from the Platform Players (schoolchildren playing music) **Saturday December 7th 11.30-12.30.**

Christmas Music with the Strings Orchestra **Saturday December 14th 11am to midday**

Carols around the Piano/Christmas Jumper Day - **Saturday 21st December**

We'll be having a clear out!

There is a tendency for things to get left at church, often in room 5 or upstairs, and then forgotten about, which is unhelpful when the rooms are needed for other

purposes, and sometimes could become a fire hazard. So over the next few weeks we will be having a clear out! If you have anything in either of these rooms that is not in a cupboard, please either remove it or identify it to Ian or Dave so we know what belongs to who and why it is there. Otherwise it will be disposed of! Thank you

More Dates for your Diary

Sunday 24th November - annual Toy Service led by Rev Anne Smith

Sunday 1st December - Christmas Experience

For all Advent & Christmas services go to:

<https://www.catshillmethodists.org.uk/worship>

OUR CIRCUIT NEWS & EVENTS

Peckwood Forest Activities

<https://www.facebook.com/Peckwood-Forest-Space-107329065639646>

Live streamed services from Studley

<https://www.youtube.com/@studleymethodistchurch/streams>

DISTRICT & OTHER NEWS & EVENTS

Methodist Women in Britain meeting

The Autumn District meeting will be on the 9th Nov. 10.30am - 3 pm at Erdington Methodist Church (*details attached*)

Community of Evangelists event

Details of a Community of Evangelists event in Stafford on Feb 1st 2025 attached (*email copies only*)

PRAYER FOR TODAY

Dear God, amid life's chaos and challenges, give us your calmness. Grant us your peace within our hearts. Help us to trust you and let go of our worries and fears. Fill us with your love, so that we may carry your peace with us wherever we go. Amen

Notices and News to Dave Morgan at meandi@btinternet.com by 5 p.m. on Thursday November 21st please

If you are reading a printed copy of this and would like it on email please let Dave know.

These notices are also available here:

<https://www.catshillmethodists.org.uk/notices>